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7 **UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT**  
8 **CENTRAL DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA**  
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10 **INGENUITY 13 LLC,**

11 **Plaintiff,**

12 **v.**

13 **JOHN DOE,**

14 **Defendant.**

Case Nos. 2:12-cv-8333-ODW(JCx)

**ORDER**

15 The Court has received the Ex Parte Application filed on behalf of John Steele,  
16 Paul Hansmeier, Paul Duffy, and Angela Van Den Hemel, requesting the Court to  
17 withdraw its March 5, 2013 Order requiring their attendance on March 11, 2013.

18 Based on the papers filed and the evidence presented during the March 11, 2013  
19 hearing, the Court concludes there is at least specific jurisdiction over these persons  
20 because of their pecuniary interest and active, albeit clandestine participation in these  
21 cases. Not only does the Ex Parte Application lack merit, its eleventh-hour filing  
22 exemplifies gamesmanship. Accordingly, the Ex Parte Application is **DENIED**.

23 The March 11, 2013 hearing raised questions concerning acts performed by  
24 other persons related to Prenda Law, Inc., Steele Hansmeier PLLC, Livewire Holdings  
25 LLC, AF Holdings LLC, Ingenuity 13 LLC, and 6881 Forensics, LLC. The evidence  
26 presented suggests these persons may be culpable for the sanctionable conduct  
27 explained in the Court's February 7, 2013 Order to Show Cause, which the Court  
28 previously attributed to Brett Gibbs only. Further, it appears that these persons, and

1 their related entities, may have defrauded the Court through their acts and  
2 representations in these cases.

3 Thus, the Court amends its February 7, 2013 Order to Show Cause (ECF  
4 No. 48) to include sanctions against the persons and entities in subparagraphs a–m  
5 below:

- 6 a) John Steele, of Steele Hansmeier PLLC, Prenda Law, Inc., and/or  
7 Livewire Holdings LLC;
- 8 b) Paul Hansmeier, of Steele Hansmeier PLLC and/or Livewire Holdings  
9 LLC;
- 10 c) Paul Duffy, of Prenda Law, Inc.;
- 11 d) Angela Van Den Hemel, of Prenda Law, Inc.;
- 12 e) Mark Lutz, of Prenda Law, Inc., AF Holdings LLC and/or Ingenuity  
13 13 LLC;
- 14 f) Alan Cooper, of AF Holdings LLC;
- 15 g) Peter Hansmeier, of 6881 Forensics, LLC;
- 16 h) Prenda Law, Inc.;
- 17 i) Livewire Holdings LLC;
- 18 j) Steele Hansmeier PLLC;
- 19 k) AF Holdings LLC;
- 20 l) Ingenuity 13 LLC; and
- 21 m) 6881 Forensics, LLC.

22 These persons and entities are **ORDERED** to appear on March 29, 2013, at  
23 10:30 a.m., **TO SHOW CAUSE** for the following:

- 24 1) Why they should not be sanctioned for their participation, direction,  
25 and execution of the acts described in the Court’s February 7, 2013  
26 Order to Show Cause;
- 27 2) Why they should not be sanctioned for failing to notify the Court of  
28 all parties that have a financial interest in the outcome of litigation;

